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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for filing of the RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT in the above-entitled application for three months from September 5, 2004 to December 5, 2004.

Applicant submits herewith a check in the amount of Four Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$490) which covers the Extension of Time Fee Required by 37 C.F.R. 1.17.

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